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National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Kerr, Macklin, House
other names/site number Kerr, Macklin, House (BL-775)

2. Location

street & number On Big Gully Road, 3/10 mile north of Kyker Road N/A not for publication
city, town junction - Maryville vicinity
state Tennessee code TN county Blount code 009 zip code 37801

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	_____ buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____	_____ structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	_____	_____ objects
		<u>1</u>	_____ Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Hist. & Arch. Resources of Blount Co.
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Herbert L. Hays 6/13/89
Signature of certifying official Date
Deputy SHPO, Tennessee Historical Commission
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.
 determined not eligible for the National Register.
 removed from the National Register.
 other, (explain:)
Alonzo Byrum Entered in the National Register 7/25/89

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling

7. DescriptionArchitectural Classification
(enter categories from instructions)

OTHER/I-House

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick

walls Brick

roof OTHER/Composition Shingle

other Wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Macklin Kerr House is a two-story brick, 3 bay, central passage plan I-House built in 1847. The house is of Flemish bond construction on the main (E) and S facades which are both oriented towards the Big Gully road. The other two facades are of four course common bond construction. At the rear of the house is a large one-story frame ca. 1960 addition. The house has a brick foundation, exterior end brick chimneys, and gable roof of composition shingles. On the main (E) facade is a ca. 1960 one-story porch with square columns on a concrete slab foundation. Windows are ca. 1960 six-over-six sash with wood sills, original stone lintels, and ca. 1960 frame shutters. The main entrance has an original four panel door with a three light transom.

On the north facade is a one-story garage added ca. 1970 of frame construction with six-over-six sash windows. The rear ca. 1960 addition has weatherboard siding and six light fixed windows. The interior retains its original central hall plan and has original four panel doors, rectangular wainscoting and Greek Revival influenced mantles with recessed panels and Doric motif pilasters. The house is sited on a rural lot and is surrounded by open fields and farmland in the southwestern section of the county.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G N/A

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1847

Significant Dates

1847

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Macklin Kerr House is significant under criterion C as a notable example of an ante-bellum brick central passage plan residence. Brick construction during the ante-bellum period in rural Blount County was very rare with only ten brick residences known to exist. Of these, three were altered with late 19th century frame additions. The Macklin Kerr House is one of only seven residences to retain its original design on its primary facade. Additions to the rear of the Kerr House have been extensive. However, the main facades display their original craftsmanship and detailing and some original interior detailing is also extant. The rarity of brick construction in the county and the retention of significant design and detailing renders the property eligible under criterion C despite the 20th century additions.

In 1832 Thomas Spradling transferred through a trustee 385 acres to the Kerr family. The house was built in 1847 by Macklin Kerr who was born in 1809 and was a prominent farmer of the area. In 1850, Kerr was listed as a farmer with 7 children. The property remained in the Kerr family until 1858 when Macklin Kerr sold 4 tracts totalling 1003 acres to William W. Howard. During the Civil War, the house was temporarily the headquarters of Union General O.O. Howard when he moved his troops towards Knoxville in 1863. The property changed hands several times until 1910 when A. J. Kyker purchased 368 acres from John R. Hall. The property remained in the Kyker family for 60 years until 1970.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Blount County Deed Records. 1800 - 1989. Blount County Courthouse, Maryville, Tennessee.

Burns, Inez E. History of Blount County, Tennessee: From War Trail to Landing Strip. Tennessee Historical Commission, Mary Blount Chapter DAR, 1957.

Morgan, John. Blount County Cultural Resource Survey. Tennessee Historical Commission, Nashville, Tennessee.

See continuation sheet

- Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A
- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
 - previously listed in the National Register
 - previously determined eligible by the National Register
 - designated a National Historic Landmark
 - recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
 - recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of property 7.2 acres.

UTM References

A 16 760540 3943800
Zone Easting Northing

B _____
Zone Easting Northing

C _____

D _____

Tallassee Quad

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary for the Macklin Kerr House is illustrated on the accompanying Blount County tax map 134, lot 23, which is drawn at a scale of 1" = 400'.

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

The boundary for the Macklin Kerr House includes the present legal boundary which includes the house and adjacent lot which are historically associated with the property.

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**National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet**

Section number _____ Photographs Page 1 Hist. and Arch. Resources of Blount Co.

Macklin Kerr House
Big Gulley Rd., Maryville vic., Blount County, TN
Photographs By: Thomason and Assoc.
Date: Fall, 1988
Location of Neg: THC

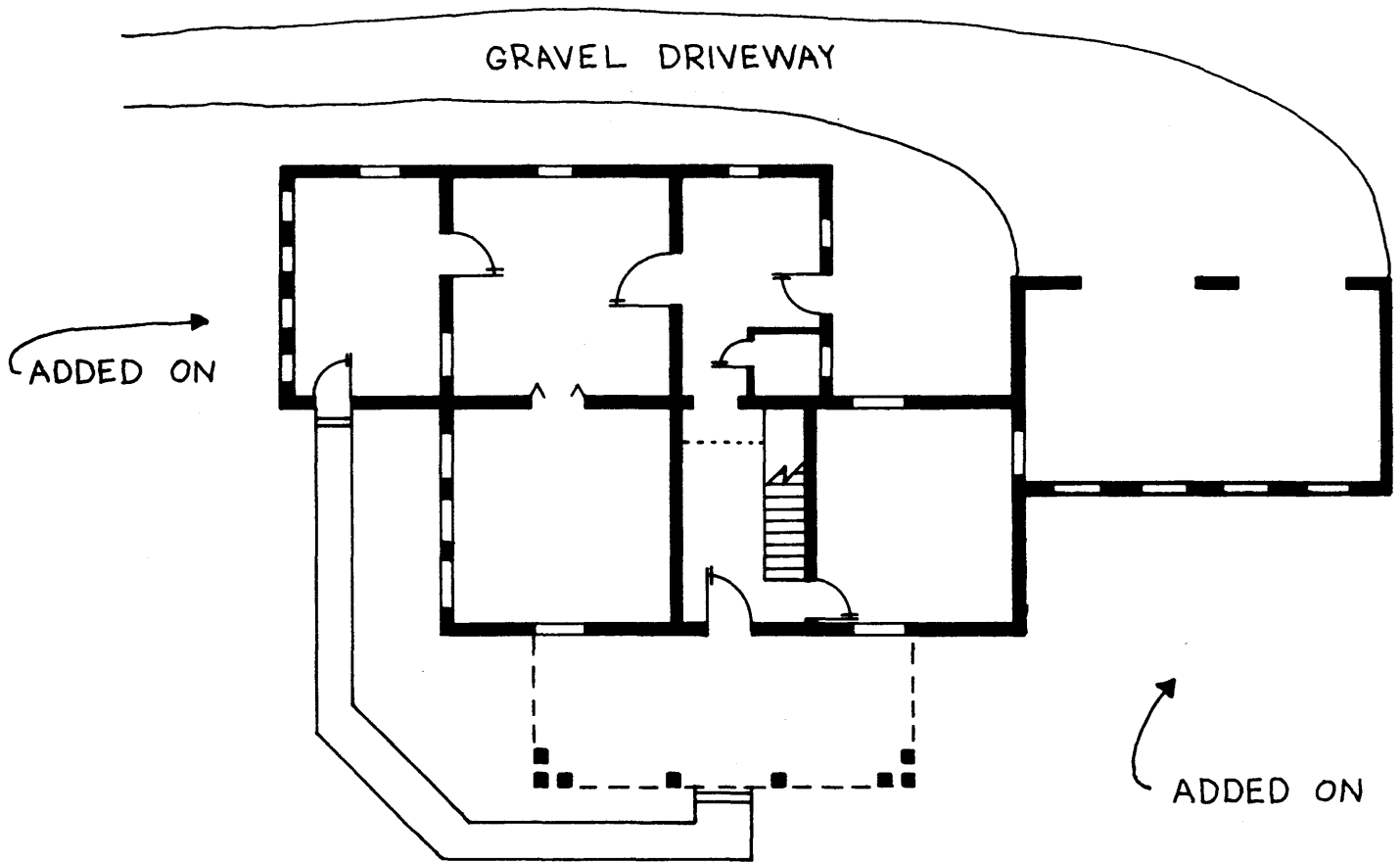
View: East and north facades.
Photo # 1

View: South facade.
Photo # 2

View: West facade.
Photo # 3

View: Interior, mantle.
Photo # 4

#775 — MACKLIN
KERR HOUSE



← BIG GULLEY ROAD

22
11.65 AC.
18

24
116.59 AC.

23
7.2 AC.
17

Macklin Kerr House
(BL-775)
Blount County
1" = 400'

21
12.0 AC.

21.01
27.0 AC.
3

25
16.8 AC.

26
29.41 AC.

CARDWELL
4

PROP.

35
21.95 AC

27
17.29 AC.

34
7.15 AC.

GARLAND

PG. 99
35.05
9.6 AC.

33
3.89 AC.

29.03
50 AC
4

32
11.31 AC.±

28
5.57 AC. 12

29.02
5.0 AC.
3

31
15 AC.
11 AC.±

29.39
5.11 AC.

29
5.0 AC

35.03
12.4 AC
35.04
2.0 AC

29.38
5.77 AC

29.40
6.62 AC

29.04
5.0 AC
5

35.01

29.37

37

29.05

R.D.

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